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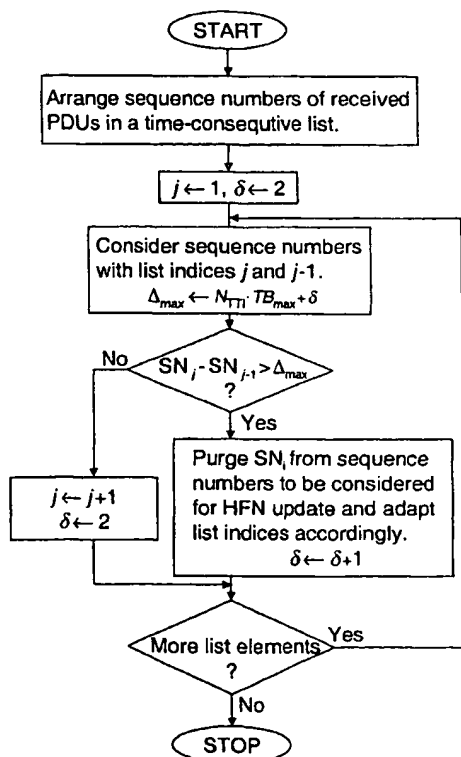
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(54) Title: **SYNCHRONIZING METHOD AND APPARATUS USING ERROR DETECTION OF SEQUENCE NUMBERS TO AVOID SYNCHRONIZING FAILURE**



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to transmissions and re-transmissions of packet data, particularly ciphered data, in a communications system. Especially, it relates to radio link transmissions and avoidance of deciphering failures in a cellular mobile radio system, particularly a Universal Mobile Telecommunications System, UMTS, or WCDMA system.

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